

Service Definition Workgroup

Purpose and Objectives

The Service Definition Workgroup will meet from early August until the end of October (at the latest).

Meetings will be convened by John Young, CEO of Eleanor Slater Hospital (JYoung@bhddh.ri.gov, 462-2319), and staffed by Burns and Associates consultants.

This Workgroup's task is to begin to decide how services that can be paid for by the State are defined: what *is* the service? how is it different from other services? how many different services are necessary? who can provide them? who should receive them? how many staff does it require? what should be the staff's qualifications? what should be the outcome of each of the services?

For the work of this Workgroup to be successful, the service list that is identified and the service definitions that go along with them need to be both complete and detailed enough to allow rates to be calculated and to serve as a menu of services for consumers.